

STATE EXAMINATION

HISTORY OF THE WORLD AND SLOVAKIA

1. What happened during the period of human migration between 300 -700 CE in Europe? Why did the Germanic peoples migrate? What was the impact of their migration on the end of the Western Roman Empire?
2. Give a brief history of the Anglo-Saxon England. What historical circumstances led to the Norman conquest? How did the Norman conquest change England?
3. How did the Tudor dynasty shape modern Britain? Briefly define the rule of Henry VIII, the break with the papacy in Rome, the establishment of the Church of England, the biggest achievements of Queen Elisabeth I.
4. Briefly describe the process of the British overseas expansion between the 16th and 18th century which resulted in the establishment of overseas settlements. Explain the status of dominions in the British colonial system.
5. What were the primary causes of the outbreak of the French Revolution? What were the events of 1789? What was the new regime like?
6. Briefly describe a series of global conflicts fought during Napoleon Bonaparte's rule over France (1799– 1815) which are collectively named as the Napoleonic Wars and what were the political effects of the wars.
7. What was the American Revolution? How did it begin? What was the Second Continental Congress and why was it important?
8. What political units formed the medieval Germany? What were the key ideas of the German Reformation? What events are considered as the starting point of the German Reformation? What was the religious impact of the German Reformation on Germany and Europe of that time?
9. Who were the first inhabitants in today's Slovakia? Where did they come from? What was their contribution to the development of our territory? How was today's Slovakia connected with the Roman Empire?
10. How did Great Moravia originate? What were the circumstances under which Constantine and Methodius appear at Great Moravia? What were the achievements of Constantine and Methodius? What were the causes of the Great Moravia's decline?
11. Give a summary of the Medieval Kingdom of Hungary under the Árpád Dynasty (1000-1301). Concentrate on the foundation of the Kingdom, the coronation of Stephen I., the Golden Bull of 1222, the Mongol invasion (1241-1242).
12. Give a summary of the Medieval Kingdom of Hungary under the kings from foreign dynasties (1310-1526). Concentrate on the reign of János Hunyadi and Matthias Corvinus, the Ottomans attacks to the Kingdom of Hungary, the consequences of the battle of Mohács.
13. Characterise the reign of Empress Maria Theresa and her domestic reforming policies. Characterise the reign of Joseph II and his domestic reforming policies.
14. Characterise the first efforts for the codification of the Slovak language. Characterise the Slovak national revival and its chief representatives in the mid-19th century. What were the consequences of Magyarization upon the Slovak nation?

15. Briefly describe the chief representatives of the resistance movement who struggled in exile for independence of the Czechs and Slovaks from the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Characterise the speeches or declarations made in 1918 which were crucial for the Czechoslovak independence.
16. Which peace treaties were particularly significant to the Czechoslovak republic in terms of defining its national borders? Which Czechoslovak border was defined in the most complicated way and why? Which rights were guaranteed by the Czechoslovak Constitution of 1920? How did Slovakia benefit from being an integral part of Czechoslovakia in the interwar period?